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## Identical letters dated 12 March 2012 from the Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

The Palestinian death toll continues to rise as Israel, the occupying Power, continues to traumatize and terrorize the more than 1.5 million Palestinians living in the besieged Gaza Strip. Since Friday, 9 March 2012, Israel's excessive, disproportionate and indiscriminate use of force has brutally killed 23 Palestinians, including children, women and elderly persons, and the number of injured has reached over 77, among them 20 children and 11 women. The tragic and continuous climb in the number of casualties is reflective of Israel's ongoing bloody onslaught against the Palestinian population in the Occupied Gaza Strip, in complete disregard and violation of all norms and rules of international humanitarian law and human rights law.

Today, Monday, 12 March 2012, Israeli occupying forces launched vicious air strikes against the Gaza Strip for the fourth day in a row, killing an additional five Palestinians and injuring an additional 43, including 17 children and nine women. In one incident, Israeli occupying forces launched an air strike, directly attacking a number of students in North Gaza district, killing a 14-year-old and injuring another five students while they were playing in the playground near their school. Also today, Israeli occupying forces killed a 65-year-old man and his 30-year-old daughter in the Jabaliya refugee camp in the northern Gaza Strip as they were attempting to put out a fire in front of their home as a result of a previous Israeli air strike. In addition to death and injury, Palestinian residential homes, agricultural fields located near homes, schools and medical facilities were also destroyed as a result of indiscriminate Israeli air strikes.

The names of those Palestinians killed in the Gaza Strip over the past four days by Israeli occupying forces are as follows: Zuhair Al-Qaisy, Mahmoud Hanaan, Mohammed Al-Ghamri, Faek Saad, Mu'tasim Hajjaj, Obeid Al-Gharabli, Mohammed Harara, Hazem Qareqe', Shadi Al-Saiqli, Mohammed Al-Moghari, Mahmoud Najm, Ahmad Hajjaj, Mahdi Abu Shawish, Mansour Abu Naseira, Hussein Al-Breim, Ahmad Dieb Salim, Ayoub Amer Useila (12 years old), Adel Al-Issi (60 years old), Hamadah Abu Mutlaq, Nayif Shaaban Qarmout (16 years



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